



Ewhurst News



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Dear parents/carers,

It has been a wonderful week at school with lots going on as usual. We are still receiving visits from prospective parents wanting to look at the school, in advance of the 15 January admissions application deadline. This week Apple Class had a fun Forest school afternoon. It was great to watch the children explore the Jubilee Garden looking for different coloured items – they all seemed so interested and curious about the world around them.

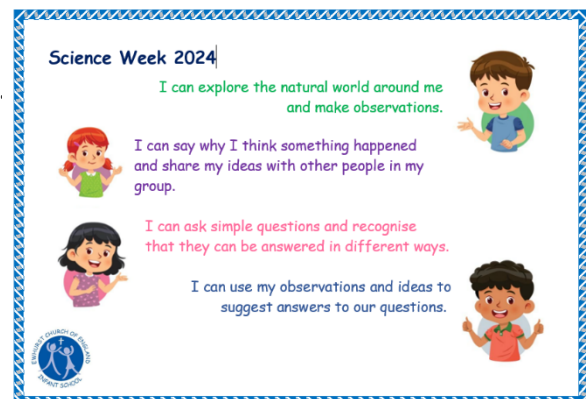
Next week we are holding a Science Week, which provides more opportunities to awaken curiosity among our pupils. On Monday we will have a visit all day from Ian at Science Wizards. For the finale there will be a special event in the playground at 2.50pm and parents are very welcome to join us and watch. We will open the side gate a little earlier at 2.45pm. Pupils will be dismissed as usual at 3pm. On Thursday we will have the Wonder Dome coming to our school – a fascinating mobile planetarium which will help us explore the wonders of our solar system. Finally, next Friday afternoon, Science Week will conclude with a carousel of science investigations in different classrooms, run by the teachers.

In these cold, icy and stormy winter months we have been very mindful about the importance of keeping everyone safe while here at school. Last week we taught the children a special 'lockdown drill' in cases when we all need to stay inside the classroom, for example if there is lightning or extremely high winds. We receive daily weather alerts from the government so we can be prepared for any extreme weather conditions.

Some parents have asked about Clubs. The Recorder Club is continuing on Tuesday lunchtimes. If there are any more children wanting to join the Club please let us know. We will run some more Clubs after half-term, so please keep an eye out for a separate email about this.

Keep safe and have a lovely weekend.

Mr. Walters



Spring Term 2024

January

Mon 15 th	Science Wizards
Thurs 18 th	Wonder Dome
Fri 19 th	Drop ins all classes
Wed 24 th	Full Governing Body Meeting
Thurs 25 th	Holly & Cherry Forest Schools

February

Thurs 1 st	Apple class Forest Schools
Wed 5 th -9 th	Well-being week
Tues 6 th	Safer Internet Day
Thurs 8 th	Holly & Cherry Forest Schools
Fri 9 th	School finishes at 3pm
12 th – 16 th	Half-Term
Mon 19 th	INSET DAY
Tues 20 th	All children return to school
Thurs 22 nd	Apple Class Forest Schools
Fri 23 rd	Drop ins all classes
Tues 27 th	Parents Consultation
Wed 28 th	Road Safety Magic Show

March

Mon 4 th -8 th	Book Week
Fri 8 th	World Book Day
Wed 13 th	Holly class Assembly (with parents)
Wed 20 th	Cherry Class Assembly (with parents)
Fri 22 nd	Drop ins all classes
Thurs 28 th	Easter Church Service Bonnet Parade @9.15am End of Term 1.30

April

Mon 15 th	All children return to school
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Reception and Year 3 applications

The deadline for your application is **Monday 15th January 2024**. Please apply via the Surrey Admissions portal. Thank you.

Awards –12/01/2024

Well done!

Star of the Week Award

Apple	Finn
Holly	Elliott
Cherry	Leo

Headteacher's Award

Apple	Edward
Holly	Wilf
Cherry	Olivia

Attendance Award
The class with the highest attendance this week is:

Cherry Class



Congratulations!!

Science Wizards – Monday 15th January

Parents are invited to come at 2:45 on Monday afternoon to watch the finale of our Science Wizards Day on the playground. The children will be dismissed as usual at 3pm.

Pupil Premium and Free School Meals

The government provides universal free school meals for every child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 in state-funded schools. However, although meals are provided free of charge, it may still be beneficial to you (if you meet the criteria) to apply for the FSM Entitlement (known as Pupil Premium). For every child in receipt of this entitlement, the school receives an extra £1455 in funding and this money is used to support that child to access free school trips, Forest Schools, swimming sessions, after-school clubs and theatre visits, and it is an important funding stream for every school. The qualifying criteria for Pupil Premium are:

- Income Support
- Income Based Job Seeker's Allowance (IBJSA)
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit, provided that their annual income is less than £16,190 and they are not in receipt of Working Tax Credit.
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

